## **BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

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William A. Judge, Chairman Robert A. Bourque David F. Arsenault

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

The special meeting of the Board of License Commissioners was held on April 20, 2007 in the Veterans Memorial Room, City Hall, Fitchburg, and called to order by Chairman William Judge at 9:02 AM. Commissioners Robert Bourque and David Arsenault were present.

## The agenda consisted of the following:

Continued matters from the regular meeting held on April 18, 2007:

Friends of the Fitchburg Senior Center for Special One Day All Alcoholic Beverages license for a 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party from 6PM to 12Midnight on April 28, 2007 at 14 Wallace Ave.

Friends of the Fitchburg Senior Center for Special One Day All Alcoholic Beverages license for Installation of Officers from 5PM to 12 Midnight on April 21, 2007 at 14 Wallace Ave.

Friends of the Fitchburg Senior Center for Special One Day All Alcoholic Beverages license for Installation Sons of Italy from 3PM to 7PM on April 29, 2007 at 14 Wallace Ave.

Present was Mr. Jon Riciutti. The Clerk presented a letter received from the Mayor indicating his permission to grant liquor licenses in response to applications made by Mr. Jon Riciutti on behalf of the Friends of the Senior Center.

Applications approved 3-0.

## **HEARING**

Fred Blake, Manager, The Cellar, 14 Mill St. for Operation of outdoor seating area.

Present were Mr. Fred Blake and Attorney Joseph Solomito. Present in the audience were Mr. Christopher Iosua and Mr. Lance Dellagono from Café Destare.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the status of the ownership of Mill St. An opinion from Assistant City Solicitor John Barrett was presented for discussion. Attorney Solomito stated that he had an opinion from City Solicitor C. Deborah Phillips that contradicted Attorney Barrett's opinion but was unable to present the document at the meeting. Discussion continued regarding various options for the outside seating area of The Cellar that would be satisfactory to the business interests of The Cellar, Café Destare, Fat Jack's Cigar Bar and the proposed residential condo units to be built above Café Destare.

At 10:20AM it was decided that a site visit to the area in question would be most helpful. By unanimous vote, the meeting moved to Mill Street in front of The Cellar to continue discussion. All present in the discussion in the Veterans Room left to go to Mill Street and they continued the discussion until 11:55AM.

Hearing continued by unanimous vote to April 26, 2007 at 6:00PM in the Council Chamber, 718 Main Street, Fitchburg.

| The meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM. |                   |                    |
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| Respectfully submitted,            |                   |                    |
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| Anna M. Farrell, Clerk             |                   |                    |
| Approved:                          |                   |                    |
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| William A. Judge                   | Robert A. Bourque | David F. Arsenault |